

## THE TRUE DEMOCRAT.

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### Transmogrification of a State.

From the Fort Pierce News.

Some of the people of Florida seem utterly astounded and hold up their hand in holy horror, when any effort is made to investigate the methods of State, county or civic organizations or institutions. They will be more surprised when these things come home to them as they have in Missouri under Folk's rigid searchlight, or in Wisconsin in the glare of LaFollet's brilliancy.

The time is almost here when pilfering from the petty funds or wholesale robbery from the State treasury will no longer be tolerated. The great masses of the State will refuse longer to contribute funds for the support of a bunch of well trained leeches. The political sharks, who have been maintained by the public, will have to go to work or starve.

Not a pleasant prospect, eh? No, indeed; but it is in the line of progress and the march of modern events, that these things shall be. You might just as well try to stop the waves of the ocean from rolling up the beach, or Jacksonville and Miami from growing, as try to stop the tidal wave that is going to sweep all grafters into the inevitable vortex that awaits the evil doers.

Florida has been one of the last to feel the effect of modern reformer, but is having a taste of it now and in the next few years there will be such an epidemic of reform and investigation as has rarely been seen, as the warm Southern blood when stirred will urge them as it does in other climes.

Governor Broward and the Legislature that has just adjourned started the ball rolling and it will not stop until it has swept the State from end to end and individuals and corporations alike will feel the weight of the whip of investigation. Florida will be the cynosure of all eyes and the world will know more of this beautiful semi-tropical land than ever before. Its purging may be its salvation, as its future will then be assured.

### It Pays to Advertise.

The Tallahassee True Democrat narrated that a gang of canvassers went through Leon county not long ago and sold sixty kitchen ranges to the farmers thereof for \$60 per. It asserts that that the ranges were not worth the money and proceeds to scold the farmers for wasting their good stuff in patronizing sharpers, etc. Now let us consider a moment. We are willing to bet ten pounds of green cheese that the farmers of Leon have not been informed by the merchants of Tallahassee in the past ten years that they could buy that particular brand of kitchen range for less money than those canvassers offered it. We are ready to wager the balance of the whole cheese that not a hardware merchant has in the same period sent a salesman out among the farmers to inquire what they wanted and to sell it to them at low prices and easy terms—as did the plausible fellows who lately raided the territory which the Tallahassee merchants ought to control. The farmers were probably ignorant of the facts, but it was not altogether their own fault. It pays to advertise.—Tampa Times.

### Fling Out Your Sunshine.

What a satisfaction to go through life radiating sunshine and hope instead of despair, encouragement instead of discouragement, and to feel conscious that even the newsboy or the bootblack, the car conductor, the office boy, the elevator boy or anybody else with whom one comes in contact gets a little dash of sunshine! It costs nothing when you buy a paper of a boy, or get your shoes shined, or pass into an elevator, or give your fare to the conductor, to give a smile with it, to make these people feel that you have a warm heart and good will. Such salutations will mean more to us than many of the so called great things. It is the small change of life. Give it out freely. The more you give the richer you will grow.—Orison Sweet Marden in Success Magazine.

## COUNCIL MEETING.

Regular Session Held Thursday Evening of Last Week.

Although we published in our last issue the only account which appeared of the very important meeting of the Woman's Club, and the first news printed here of the strike at the insane asylum, we could not delay the publication to get in a report of the council meeting held Thursday night, of which an abstract follows:

Council took up the report of the committee which recently conferred with the Southeastern Tariff Association on the subject of fire insurance rates, and discussed the possibility of installing the Gamewell system of fire alarms. The representative of the system made a proposal to put it in for \$2,240, payable in convenient installments. Definite action on the report and proposition was deferred to a special meeting to be held July 20.

The Governor's Mansion committee requested Council to pledge the improvement of the street upon which the mansion is built, when a site is selected, from the Capitol to the mansion; which was done.

Reports concerning the sewerage system were required to be forthcoming by July 30.

City Clerk was directed to furnish a statement showing all fixed charges and expenses.

An ordinance amending Sections 1 and 2 of Chapter XIX, 1898, as amended by committee, was passed unanimously.

The mayor's veto of ordinance imposing license taxes on livery stables, hacks, drays, etc., was read and recorded.

Committee on laws and ordinances was ordered to prepare ordinances regulating the driving of animals and the transfer of steam thrashing machines on and through the streets.

A final settlement of all 1904 taxes was ordered made by October 1st next. Tallahassee Waterworks Co. presented a proposal to furnish the city water for flushing the sewers at the rate of ten cents per thousand gallons.

A number of current accounts were ordered paid and the Council adjourned to July 20.

### Railroad Consolidation.

According to the Savannah Morning News, the long-expected consolidation of the "Georgia Pine", and the Carrabelle, Tallahassee and Georgia railroads will soon be an accomplished fact. President J. P. Williams is given as authority for the statement that the foreclosure of the mortgage on the Carrabelle, Tallahassee and Georgia Railroad, suit for which had been instituted by the Savannah Trust Company, is merely a step toward consolidating the two roads, which are controlled by the same parties. It amounts practically to the syndicate's foreclosing a mortgage on itself.

The syndicate owns the bonds and most of the stock of the Carrabelle, Tallahassee and Georgia Railroad. The bonds are in default of interest. Both roads have been operated under the same management for some time and are practically the same system.

Work has been begun on a spur from Havana, Fla., to Quincy, Fla., said Mr. Williams, "and we expect the new track to be open by September 15th. This will give us another connection with the Seaboard at Quincy, a good, live town. The spur is built for local business and will prove of value to the road.

Quincy is on the Seaboard between Tallahassee and River Junction, and Havana is on the line of the Georgia, Florida and Alabama, just above Tallahassee. The spur will be about twelve and one-half miles long.

Mr. Williams stated that he expects to see the complete consolidation of the two roads effected within a short time.

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## LATE EXPRESSIONS

Of Public Opinion on Diverse Topics in the State Papers.

A politician is a man who has had an office once and wants it again. A statesman is a man who has had an office and still has it.—Milton Index.

Governor Broward has had his backbone tested several times since his inauguration, and is liable to have it tested some more before his term is out. It seems to have stood the strain so far, without any evidence of weakening.—Monticello News.

The superb "business administration" of the late Gov. Jennings is now beginning to manifest itself in a most practical way. One item. The State millage for general revenue for the year 1905 and 1906 has been increased 200 per cent.—Palatka News.

General Gilchrist has finally launched his gubernatorial boom. The General should bear in mind the fact that the political seas are deep, filled with rugged rocks and huge snags, and unless built of strong material and manned by a gallant and experienced crew, there may be danger of founder ere the towering waves of opposition begin to rock the shell and the lighthouse of victory becomes apparent in the harbor of success.—Quincy Times.

Judge Swayne handed down a decision on June 24, which upholds the contention of litigants against the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund. This is the case of the A. T. & G. Railroad Co., which corporation is suing to get the State deeds to lands granted to aid and encourage the building of the railroad, and is a block knocked off the house built by the Governor in his campaign on the State land issue. The case will be carried to the U. S. Supreme Court.—Monticello News.

Whenever you read about a man getting a salary of one hundred thousand dollars a year you are justified in having doubts whether he honestly earns it. You may also be pretty reasonably sure that among his assistants there are two or three men who could do the work just as well and would be glad to do it for one quarter the money. Things are rather out of balance when a corporation pays a hundred thousand dollar salary merely for advertising purposes.—Tampa Times.

Gracious goodness, Miss Agnes! What will Bill Lamar say when his eagle eye rests upon this paragraph from the Marianna Times-Courier: "Col. Jefferson D. Stephens, a member who most ably represented Jackson county, and defended the people's rights in the State Legislature of 1905, is a candidate for Congress subject to the Democratic primary of the Third Congressional district, which will be held in 1906." Get busy, Bill. It seems that somebody is after your job.—Madison New Enterprise.

Criticisms of the actions of committees, legislatures or other organized bodies not attack the individuals composing them, unless they are personally designated as responsible for the actions criticised. Thus the minority is always exempt from criticisms for the acts of the majority. The individuals of the majority should not be separated from each other for censure or praise, unless the proceedings of the bodies show their predominant leadership, as all are equally responsible. Therefore, no individual of a body should appropriate to himself comments made upon it as a whole, unless he feels that he is individually responsible for the action taken by reason of his leadership or control of the other members.—St. Augustine Record.

### Lanark On the Gulf.

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## Amendment of Charter, Increase of Stock, etc.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the Southern Telephone and Construction Company, a corporation under the laws of Florida, will be held at the office of the company in the city of Tallahassee on the 22nd day of August, 1905, at 12 o'clock, M., for the purpose of acting upon the following proposed amendments to the charter of said company, to wit:

That Article II of said charter shall be amended so as to read as follows:

### ARTICLE II.

The general nature of the businesses to be conducted by said company shall be to construct, acquire, maintain and operate telephone exchanges and telephone exchange lines and plants, and telephone toll lines and plants in the counties of Leon, Wakulla, Franklin, Jefferson, Gadsden, Jackson, Madison and Taylor, in the State of Florida, and to construct, acquire, maintain and operate electric plants for light, power and other useful purposes; and to deal in electric supplies and manufacture the same; and to purchase, use, lease, sell, mortgage, pledge or otherwise dispose of real and personal property, and borrow money for any and all of the above purposes, giving its bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness therefor; and to have and enjoy all the rights, privileges, and powers necessary or proper for carrying on any of said business.

The telephone exchange lines and plants to be in any of the places hereinafter mentioned through or into which the telephone toll lines may pass or enter or be, or any intermediate place, and telephone toll stations to be at any of said places hereinafter named or any intermediate place. The telephone toll lines to be constructed, acquired, maintained and operated by this corporation shall extend from the city of Tallahassee, in Leon county, Florida, to the town of Monticello, in Jefferson county, Florida, through the villages of Chaires, Lloyd, and through or near Drifton, a distance of thirty-one miles; and from Monticello or Drifton, in Jefferson county, to Madison, in Madison county, a distance of twenty-seven miles; and from Lloyd or Drifton in Jefferson county, or some intermediate point, to Wacissa, through Waukeena, in said county, a distance of twelve miles; and from Tallahassee, in Leon county, to Marianna, a distance of sixteen miles and from Tallahassee, in Leon county, to Quincy, in Gadsden county, through the village of Havana, a distance of twenty-eight miles; and from Tallahassee, aforesaid, through Arran and Sopchoppy, in Wakulla county, and Carrabelle, in Franklin county, to Apalachicola, in Franklin county, a distance of eighty miles; and from Arran to Crawfordville, a distance of three miles; and from Sopchoppy to Panama, a distance of seven miles; and from Tallahassee to St. Marks, a distance of twenty-one miles; and from Quincy to Marianna, a distance of forty miles; and from Tallahassee, aforesaid, to Perry, in Taylor county, a distance of fifty miles, the total mileage being three hundred and fifteen miles.

That Article III of said Charter, which now reads as follows: "The capital stock of this company shall be ten thousand dollars, divided into one hundred shares of one hundred dollars each, and shall be fully paid for in cash, or property for use in the business of the company, at its cash value when the stock is issued," shall be amended by adding thereto at the end thereof the following:

The amount of the capital stock of this company shall be increased thirty thousand dollars, so as to make the entire capital stock of the company forty thousand dollars, such increased or additional stock to be divided into three hundred shares of one hundred dollars each. All of such increased or additional capital stock shall be paid for as follows: One-half thereof, or fifteen thousand dollars, in lawful money of the United States, and the other half, or fifteen thousand dollars, may be paid for in lawful money of the United States or in property, labor or services, at a just valuation to be fixed by the corporation or by the directors at a meeting called for such purpose. Property, labor or services may be also purchased or paid for with any such capital stock at a just valuation of such property, labor or services to be fixed by the directors of the company at a meeting called for such purpose.

By order of the company. F. C. MOOR, Secretary.

Tallahassee, Fla., July 21st, 1905. 21-5t

Don't expect a girl who has always lived in a flat to know anything about housework.

## Georgia, Florida & Alabama Railway Company.

(C., T. & G. R. R. CO.)

Schedule Effective 7.00 P. M., May 6, 1905.

### South Bound.

	No. 1	No. 3	Sunday Sat'day only, No. 5	No. 3
Lv Atlanta	12.00am	7.00am		
Lv Macon	8.45am	11.35am		
Lv Cuthbert	7.50am	4.05pm		
Lv Arlington	9.10am	6.15pm		
Lv Bainbridge	11.00am	6.55pm	6.20am	
Lv Tallahassee	12.55pm	8.40pm	8.05am	
(via S.A.L.)	1.53pm	4.00am		
Ar Jacksonville	7.40pm	10.50am		
Lv Tallahassee	2.00pm	8.00am	8.15am	5.50pm
Lv Macon	3.14pm	10.00am	9.25am	9.50pm
Lv Lanark	3.45pm	10.45am	10.06am	10.25pm
Lv Carrabelle	4.00pm		10.16am	10.35pm
Ar Apalachicola	7.00pm			

### North Bound.

	No. 2	No. 38	Sunday Sat'day only, No. 6	No. 4
Lv Apalachicola	6.30am			
Lv Carrabelle	11.30am	2.00pm	6.00pm	4.30pm
Lv Lanark	11.45am	2.20pm	6.45pm	4.45am
Lv Sopchoppy	12.15pm	3.14pm	7.21pm	5.15am
Ar Tallahassee	1.30pm	5.00pm	8.35pm	6.30am
Lv Jacksonville				
(S.A.L. Ry.)	9.05am	4.00pm		
Ar Tallahassee	8.10pm	10.00pm		
Lv Tallahassee	8.25pm	6.35am	8.45pm	6.35am
Lv Bainbridge	8.25pm	8.27am	10.26pm	8.27am
Ar Arlington	7.25pm	10.16am		10.16am
Lv Cuthbert	8.43pm	11.55am		11.35am
Lv Macon	4.15am	4.35pm		4.35am
Ar Atlanta	7.55am	7.55pm		7.55am

Notice—Trains Nos. 5 and 6 will depart from and arrive at foot of Shotwell street, Bainbridge. Tickets for train 5, leaving Bainbridge Sundays at 6.20 am, will be on sale at the office of the Calhoun Grocery Company.

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